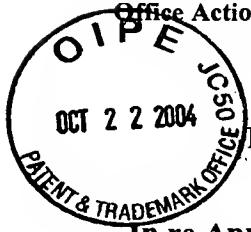


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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Official Communication dated **September 27, 2004**, please amend the specification as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.